

Notice of Allowability

Application No.

09/587,403

Examiner

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All claims being allowable, PROSECUTION ON THE MERITS IS (OR REMAINS) CLOSED in this application. If not included herewith (or previously mailed), a Notice of Allowance (PTOL-85) or other appropriate communication will be mailed in due course. **THIS NOTICE OF ALLOWABILITY IS NOT A GRANT OF PATENT RIGHTS.** This application is subject to withdrawal from issue at the initiative of the Office or upon petition by the applicant. See 37 CFR 1.313 and MPEP 1308.

1. ☒ This communication is responsive to 2/23/07.
2. ☒ The allowed claim(s) is/are 1-20.
3. ☐ Acknowledgment is made of a claim for foreign priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119(a)-(d) or (f).
- a) ☐ All b) ☐ Some* c) ☐ None of the:
1. ☐ Certified copies of the priority documents have been received.
2. ☐ Certified copies of the priority documents have been received in Application No. _____.
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4. ☐ A SUBSTITUTE OATH OR DECLARATION must be submitted. Note the attached EXAMINER'S AMENDMENT or NOTICE OF INFORMAL PATENT APPLICATION (PTO-152) which gives reason(s) why the oath or declaration is deficient.
5. ☐ CORRECTED DRAWINGS (as "replacement sheets") must be submitted.
- (a) ☐ including changes required by the Notice of Draftsperson's Patent Drawing Review (PTO-948) attached
- 1) ☐ hereto or 2) ☐ to Paper No./Mail Date _____.
- (b) ☐ including changes required by the attached Examiner's Amendment / Comment or in the Office action of Paper No./Mail Date _____.
- Identifying indicia such as the application number (see 37 CFR 1.84(c)) should be written on the drawings in the front (not the back) of each sheet. Replacement sheet(s) should be labeled as such in the header according to 37 CFR 1.121(d).
6. ☐ DEPOSIT OF and/or INFORMATION about the deposit of BIOLOGICAL MATERIAL must be submitted. Note the attached Examiner's comment regarding REQUIREMENT FOR THE DEPOSIT OF BIOLOGICAL MATERIAL.

Attachment(s)

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of Biological Material | 8. <input type="checkbox"/> Examiner's Statement of Reasons for Allowance |
| | 9. <input type="checkbox"/> Other _____ |

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DETAILED ACTION

1. Applicant's amendment filed on February 23, 2007 has been entered. Claims 1-20 are pending.

Examiner's Amendment

2. An examiner's amendment to the record appears below. Should the changes and/or additions be unacceptable to applicant, an amendment may be filed as provided by 37 CFR 1.312. To ensure consideration of such an amendment, it MUST be submitted no later than the payment of the issue fee.

Authorization for this examiner's amendment was given in a telephone interview with Mr. William H. Wright on March 15, 2007. The applicant's representative has agreed to authorize the examiner to amend claim 7 for some typographical errors.

CLAIMS:

3. i. Referring to claim 7:

Please replace claim 7 as follows:

A domain name management system, comprising:

an authentication interface generator that generates a graphical user interface on an operator terminal including a request for identification information from an operator seeking access to the domain name management system, the domain name management system receiving operator identification information input by the operator at the operator terminal;

a domain name identification interface generator that generates graphical user interface on the operator terminal including a request for input from the operator of a domain name to be an active domain name, the domain name management system receiving the domain name input by the operator at the operator terminal and setting the domain name as an active domain name;

an authentication checker that determines, in response to the identification information input by the operator, if a contact identified in the shared registry system for the active domain name has authorized the operator to change information within the zone file for the active domain name, the authentication checker

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preventing changes to the zone file for the active domain name if the operator is not authorized; and

an information change engine responsive to the authentication checker and to an information change request input by an authorized operator, the information change engine changing information about the active domain name in the zone file for the active domain name and generating a confirmation message that at least in part caused display of a screen on the operator terminal confirming execution of the information change request, the domain name management system updating the shared registry system with the changed zone file.

Allowable Subject Matter

4. Claims 1-20 are allowed.

5. The following is an examiner's statement of reasons for allowance: The prior art does not disclose a domain name identifier that generates a graphical user interface on an operator computer that accepts input of a domain name from an agent and accepts input of identifying information about the agent accessing the domain name management system, the agent acting on behalf of a registrant of an active domain name, the graphical user interface providing the domain name identifier identification of a domain name to be an active domain name and the graphical user interface providing the identifying information to the domain name management system; an authorization checker responsive to the identifying information about the agent, the authorization checker comparing the identifying information with stored information to determine if the agent is authorized to change information about the active domain name in the shared registry system and, if the agent is not authorized to change information about the active domain name in the shared registry system, the authorization checker generating a communication to administrative contact for the active domain name to determine if the agent is to be authorized within the domain name management system to change information about the active domain name in the shared registry system as set forth in claim 1. The prior art also does not disclose an authentication interface generator that generates a graphical user interface on an operator terminal including a request for identification information from an operator seeking access to the domain name

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management system; the domain name management system receiving operator identification information input by the operator at the operator terminal; a domain name identification interface generator that generates graphical user interface on the operator terminal including a request for input from the operator of a domain name to be an active domain name, the domain name management system receiving the domain name input by the operator at the operator terminal and setting the domain name as an active domain name; an authentication checker that determines, in response to the identification information input by the operator, if a contact identified in the shared registry system for the active domain name has authorized the operator to change information within the zone file for the active domain name, the authentication checker preventing changes to the zone file for the active domain name if the operator is not authorized as set forth in claim 7.

Any comments considered necessary by applicant must be submitted no later than the payment of the issue fee and, to avoid processing delays, should preferably accompany the issue fee. Such submissions should be clearly labeled "Comments on Statement of Reasons for Allowance."

6. Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to Thanhnga (Tanya) Truong whose telephone number is 571-272-3858.

If attempts to reach the examiner by telephone are unsuccessful, the examiner's supervisor, Kim Vu can be reached on 571-272-3859. The central fax number for the organization where this application or proceeding is assigned is 571-273-8300.

Any inquiry of a general nature or relating to the status of this application or proceeding should be directed to the receptionist whose telephone number is 571-272-2100.

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